IOWA ETHICS AND CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE BOARD

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IOWA ETHICS AND CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE BOARD MINUTES OCTOBER 21, 2009 OPEN SESSION

HELD AT:

510 East 12th, Jessie Parker Building, Des Moines, Iowa

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

James Albert, Patricia Harper, Gerald Sullivan, Betsy Roe, John

Walsh, and Saima Zafar

STAFF PRESENT:

W. Charles Smithson, Karen Hudson

- 1. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by Chair Albert at 4:00 p.m.
- 2. ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION At 4:05 p.m. it was moved by Roe and seconded by Zafar that in accordance with the provisions of Iowa Code section 21.5, the Board will move into executive session to discuss complaints, investigations, and personnel matters. Any action taken in executive session will be disclosed upon return to open session. Motion carried unanimously in roll call vote.

The meeting returned to Open Session at 4:12 p.m.

3. ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION – It was moved by Sullivan and seconded by Harper that the written record of executive session action be made a part of the open record. Motion carried.

The following executive session action was taken:

Arlene Lynes – It was moved by Harper and seconded by Sullivan to approve the proposed settlement. Motion carried.

Carlin Hageman – It was moved by Walsh and seconded by Sullivan to approve the proposed settlement. Motion carried.

Eric Rosenthal – It was moved by Roe and seconded by Harper to issue a letter of reprimand for failing to accurately disclose transactions related to reimbursements and payments for expenses on behalf of the Linn County Republican Central Committee with no finding that he improperly received money. Staff is directed to work with the Linn County Republican Central Committee to resolve as many reporting issues as possible that have been detected for the past four years. Motion carried.

It was moved by Sullivan and seconded by Walsh to give director authority to make determination about reduction in staff upon approval by Governor, as well as implementing other cost savings to offset the budget reduction. Motion carried.

4. RULES FOR ADOPTION – It was moved by Sullivan and seconded by Harper to adopt the rules and direct executive director to file the appropriate paperwork. Motion carried.

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5. PROPOSED RULE FOR ADOPTION

A. Mandatory Electronic Filing/Where & When Filed – It was moved by Roe and seconded by Harper to adopt and file without notice. Motion carried.

6. PROPOSED RULE

A. Constitutional Amendment/Multiple Jurisdiction PAC – It was moved by Roe and seconded by Sullivan to approve the proposed rule. Motion carried.

7. ADVISORY OPINION

A. Email Sent from Private Address to Public Officials and Employees – It was moved by Harper and seconded by Walsh to approve the advisory opinion with changes. Motion carried.

8. VIOLATIONS

- A. Late-Filed Statements of Organization (Iowa Code section 68A.201) Letters of admonishment should be sent to the following committees.
 - 1. Kurt Hubler for State Representative

General Assembly Candidate

- 2. Committee to Elect Terri Martins (Crawford Co)
- County Candidate
- 3. Committee to Elect (Lynn) Grobe (Pottawattamie Co) County Candidate
- B. Late-Filed Notice of Dissolution (Iowa Code section 68A.402B) Letters of admonishment should be sent to the following committees.
 - 1. (Clarence) Hoffman for Iowa House

General Assembly Candidate

2. (William) Elam for Linn County Sheriff (Linn Co)

County Candidate

- 9. ITEMS OF BOARD INTEREST NOT NEEDING ACTION
 - A. Report from Office of Auditor of State Received for information. No action taken.
- 10. ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Meghan Van Wy

Secretary